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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S TRIP TO THE CARIBBEAN: GUYANA

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1. PRIOR TO DEPARTURE OF FONMIN FRED WILLS WITH  
PRIME MINISTER BURNHAM FOR CUBA JULY 22, CHARGE HAD DISCUSSED  
WITH WILLS TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S VISIT;  
HOWEVER, GUYANESE THINKING ABOUT ARRANGEMENTS CONTINUES  
TO EVOLVE. THIS MESSAGE PROVIDES INDICATIONS OF WHERE  
THINGS STAND NOW AND REQUESTS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM  
THE DEPARTMENT.

2. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

AUGUST 9

1905    ARRIVE TIMERHI AIRPORT (TRIP FROM AIRPORT TO  
GEORGETOWN TAKES 35 MINUTES).

2030    RECEPTION AT UMANA YANA (A PAVILION  
BUILT IN TRADITIONAL AMERINDIAN STYLE)

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ATTENDED BY BROAD CROSS-SECTION OF GUYANESE  
SOCIETY. AMBASSADOR YOUNG WOULD MAKE A  
BRIEF SPEECH DURING THE RECEPTION. US  
CHARGE WILL HOST THIS RECEPTION. ENTIRE  
GROUP, INCLUDING MEDIA PERSONNEL, TRAVELING  
WITH AMBASSADOR WILL BE INVITED.

AUGUST 10

0730 BREAKFAST

0830 MEETING AT EMBASSY ATTENDED BY AMBASSADOR  
YOUNG AND HIS OFFICIAL PARTY.

0930-1130 GUYANESE HAVE NOT DECIDED UPON THEIR PREFERENCE  
FOR SEQUENCE OF MEETINGS; HOWEVER, PRIME  
MINISTER BURNHAM AND FOREIGN MINISTER WILLS  
WILL MEET WITH AMBASSADOR YOUNG. GUYANA'S  
UN REP RASHLEIGH JACKSON AND ONE OR TWO  
OTHER HIGH GOG OFFICIALS WILL BE PRESENT AT  
THESE MEETINGS. BURNHAM'S PRACTICE HAS BEEN  
TO HAVE A PRIVATE ONE-TO-ONE MEETING WITH  
HIGH-RANKING GUESTS AFTER THE GENERAL DISCUSSION.

12:00NOON WORKING LUNCHEON AT GUYBAU HOUSE HOSTED BY  
THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND ATTENDED BY CABINET  
MINISTERS AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICIALS.

1415 VISIT TO 1763 MONUMENT, WHERE AMBASSADOR  
WOULD LAY A WREATH. THIS MONUMENT SYMBOLIZES  
GUYANA'S STRUGGLE TO BE FREE AND IS  
DEDICATED TO THE SLAVE "CUFFY" WHO LED  
A SLAVE REVOLT IN 1763. FOLLOWING THIS  
THE AMBASSADOR AND HIS PARTY WILL RETURN TO  
THEIR LODGINGS TO PREPARE FOR DEPARTURE.

1500 DEPART FOR TIMERHI AIRPORT

1535 PRESS CONFERENCE AT AIRPORT (ALTERNATIVELY  
PRESS CONFERENCE COULD BE HELD AT THE 1763  
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MONUMENT PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FROM GEORGETOWN)

1600 DEPART FOR PARAMARIBO

3. WILLS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED THAT HE AND HIS FOREIGN  
POLICY STAFF MEET WITH AMBASSADOR YOUNG IN THE MORNING,  
FOLLOWED BY WORKING LUNCH AT 1130. UNDER THIS ALTERNATIVE,  
THE MEETING WITH BURNHAM WOULD OCCUR DURING THE PERIOD  
1330-1430, AND BE FOLLOWED BY STOP AT THE 1763 MONUMENT.  
CHARGE BELIEVES, HOWEVER, THAT MEETING WITH BOTH BURNHAM  
AND WILLS COULD BETTER BE ACCOMPLISHED BEFORE  
LUNCH, BUT RECOGNIZES THAT BURNHAM AND WILLS MAY INSIST  
ON THE SPLIT SCHEDULE.

4. CHARGE AND GUYANESE AGREE ON DESIRABILITY OF  
AMBASSADOR YOUNG MAKING A BRIEF SPEECH DURING HIS VISIT  
AND BELIEVE THAT THE OPPORTUNITY OFFERED DURING THE  
RECEPTION WOULD BE THE BEST TIME. SPEECH COULD BE  
BRIEF (15-20 MINUTES). ALTHOUGH GUYANESE  
WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ANY OF SEVERAL THEMES INCLUDING  
US POLICY IN AFRICA, EMBASSY BELIEVES REFERENCE TO US  
ATTITUDES AND POLICIES TOWARD CARIBBEAN AND GUYANA AS  
OUTLINED IN ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN'S CONGRESSIONAL

TESTIMONY OF JUNE 28 SHOULD BE INCLUDED, ALONG WITH  
BRIEF REITERATION OF US COMMITMENT TO HUMAN RIGHTS AND  
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.  
WHATEVER ELSE WOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE SPEECH, HOWEVER, WE  
URGE THAT THE AMBASSADOR INCLUDE "ECONOMIC GROWTH WITH SOCIAL  
JUSTICE" THEME USED IN HIS MAY 3 SPEECH AT ECLA. THE  
REFERENCE TO BREAKING "THE STERILE IMPASSE BETWEEN  
'CAPITALISM' AND 'SOCIALISM,'" AND THE NEED FOR INSTITU-  
TIONS TO BE "ACCOUNTABLE" AND "RESPONSIVE" TO THE PEOPLE,  
BE THEY MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS OR  
GOVERNMENT, WOULD BE PARTICULARLY APPROPRIATE HERE.  
ALTHOUGH A MAJORITY OF BURNHAM'S CABINET RECOGNIZE AND  
SUPPORT THE IDEA OF ATTRACTING FOREIGN PRIVATE CAPITAL  
TO PARTICIPATE IN GUYANA'S DEVELOPMENT, SOME SECTORS OF  
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THE RULING PEOPLE'S NATIONAL CONGRESS(PNC) AS WELL AS  
THE LEADERSHIP OF THE OPPOSITION PEOPLE'S PROGRESSIVE  
PARTY (PPP) OPPOSE FOREIGN PRIVATE PARTICIPATION THE  
EMBASSY HAS BEEN TRYING, THROUGH ITS DIALOGUE WITH  
GUYANESE, INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE OPPOSITION, TO SOFTEN  
THE DOGMATISM WITH WHICH THEY APPROACH ECONOMIC ISSUES.  
INCLUSION OF APPROPRIATE PARTS OF THE AMBASSADOR'S  
ECLA SPEECH, THEREFORE, WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

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5. WILLS HAS INVITED AMBASSADOR YOUNG TO STAY AT HERDMANSTON HOUSE WHICH IS THE GOG'S BEST VIP GUEST HOUSE. AS IT HAS ONLY THREE BEDROOMS (FOUR IF THE AMBASSADOR'S APRTMENT WOULD BE REDUCED FROM A SUITE TO ONE BEDROOM), THE QUESTION HAS ARISEN CONCERNING HOW MANY OF THE AMBASSADOR'S GROUP SHOULD STAY AT THE SAME LOCATION AS THE AMBASSADOR. AN ALTERNATIVE, AND LARGER, GUEST HOUSE POSSIBLY COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE.

6. WILLS HAS SUGGESTED THAT AID ASSITANT ADMINISTRTOR ABELARDO VALDEZ MEET WITH MINISTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DESMOND HOYTE AND MINISTER OF ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES HUBERT JACK. IN ADDITION, WE RECOMMEND THAT HE MEET WITH MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE GAVIN KENNARD AND MINISTER OF WORKS STEVE NARAIN. THESE MEETINGS COULD TAKE PLACE WHILE AMBASSADOR YOUNG MEETS WITH WILLS AND BURNHAM ON MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER SEPARATE SCHEDULE FOR VALDEZ IS DESIRED.

7 SEPARTE LUNCHEON FOR THE PRESS IS PLANNED ON AUGUST 10 AND  
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WILL BE HOSTED BY A CABINET MINISTER.

8. CHARGE WILL MEET WITH WILLS AGAIN ON JULY 27 AND EXPECTS TO HAVE GUYANESE PROPOSALS FIRMED UP BY WEEKS'S END. IF DEPARTMENT ENVISAGES PROBLEMS WITH TENTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS OR ALTERNATIVES, PLEASE SO ADVISE US. TO COMPLETE ARRANGEMENTS WE WILL NEED TO KNOW WHO WILL ACCOMPANY THE AMBASSADOR ON HIS CALLS AND NUMBER OF PERSONS TO STAY IN THE SAME HOUSE AS THE AMBASSADOR. ALSO, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING NAMES OF ALL PERSONS IN PARTY, INCLUDING THE PRESS.  
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